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Experienced Vice Investigator Takes On Leadership Role In Maryland's Fight Against Human Trafficking

Baltimore, Md – The Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention (GOCCP) has announced that Detective Thomas Stack, formerly of the Montgomery County Police Department, will act as its new Human Trafficking Policy Analyst. Stack worked for 26 years as a police officer in Montgomery County; the last 14 as a detective in the Vice and Intelligence Unit, including 10 years in cases involving human trafficking.

"Detective Stack brings years of experience identifying the victims of human trafficking, and bringing their traffickers to justice," said Christopher Shank, the Executive Director of GOCCP. "He worked as a Task Force Officer with the FBI's Maryland Child Exploitation Task Force and was one of the lead investigators on the United States vs. Jeremy Naughton human trafficking case, a case that involved a violent pimp who trafficked eleven victims between New York and Maryland. The evidence Detective Stack and the Task Force gathered enabled a federal judge to sentence Naughton to 36 years in federal prison in 2013."

In his new role as GOCCP's Human Trafficking Policy Analyst, Stack will develop and implement policies, initiatives, training and data-collection procedures that build Maryland's capacity to combat traffickers and serve survivors. He has trained numerous law enforcement officers, both locally and nationally, in identifying the victims of human trafficking and building solid cases against their traffickers.

Stack will work with the Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force (MHTTF), serving as a communication link between subcommittees, identifying common areas of need, and providing administrative and technical support to the MHTTF Coordinator and subcommittee chairs.

"I am looking forward to working with the Task Force and law enforcement throughout the state to make Maryland an undesirable place for human traffickers," said Stack. "I also look forward to working with service providers to ensure the best possible care and recovery for the victims of human trafficking."

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